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SUBJ: UA-75-0003, MEHMET SAKAR ET AL

- 1. USAK PROVINCE JANDARMA WITH IZMIR DO CI SUC-4-0003 SEIZED 42 KG, 900 GRMS SUSPECTED MORPHINE BASE ON 7-15-75 AT CANLI KOPRU SECTION OF USAK PROVINCE.
- 2. OFFICIAL JANDARMA REPORT PROVIDED ARO VIA SUC-4-0003
 7-17-75 CLAIMS ISMAIL USEYIR OF USAK PURCHASED OPIUM
 PODS REPEAT OPIUM PODS FOR MEHMET SAKAR OF ISTANBUL.
 USEYIR PURPORTED TO HAVE MANUFACTURED MB BY "BOILING
 PROCESS" AND STORED MB AT TURK PETROL GAS STATION
 OWNED/OPERATED BY CELTIK (CHEL-TIK) BROTHERS. VELI
 AND HALIL CELTIK IN CUSTODY. ISMAIL USEYIR IN CUSTODY.
 MEHMET SAKAR BEING SOUGHT FOR ARREST.
- 3. ACCORDING TO SECONDARY CI SUB-3-0006 IF POPPY PODS OF GOOD QUALITY, 160 KGS PODS NEEDED TO PRODUCE 1 KG MB, IF POOR QUALITY 200 KG PRODUCES 1 KG MB. PRESUMING GOOD QUALITY THIS SEIZURE EQUIVALENT OF 6880 KG (APPROX 7 1/2 TONS) POPPY PODS. ACCORDING TO INFO RECEIVED FROM SPECIAL TESTING LAB POPPY STRAW/ LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MB RATIO IN SUCH A PROCESS MANY TIMES GREATER THAN

THAT REPORTED BY CI, THEREFORE, REPORT THAT SUBSTANCE PRODUCED BY BOILING PROCESS IN SERIOUS DOUBT.

- 4. MB SAMPLE PROVIDED DEA BY USAK JANDARMA VIA INERT SUBSTANCE AND SLOWLY PASSED PRESUMTIVE FIELD TEST.
- 5. REQUEST SPECIAL TESTING LAB, UPON RECEIPT SAMPLE, ATTEMPT DETERMINE IF SAMPLE PRODUCED THROUGH NORMAL MB CONVERSION PROCESS.
- 6. TURKISH PRESS CARRIED STORY OF SEIZURE WITH CLAIM THAT NARCOTIC SUBSTANCE FROM CURRENT OPIUM CROP. NO SUPPORTIVE EVIDENCE THIS CLAIM AS YET AVAILABLE DEA.
- 7. FOR SEC STATE: REQUEST PERMISSION TO POUCH APPROX 10 GRAM SAMPLE OF SUSPECTED MB TO DEA SPECIAL TESTING LAB AT VIRGINIA FOR ANALYSIS PURPOSES.

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